

REMARKS


Claims 1-23 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 8-13 and 23 were allowed. The remaining claim were rejected as follows:

Claims / Section	35 U.S.C. Sec.	References / Notes
3-6, 15 & 17-22	§112, second paragraph indefiniteness	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Depending from cancelled claims

5 Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating the allowability of all claims in the application if the claim dependencies are corrected. Pursuant to the Examiner's suggestion, all claims indicating a dependency from cancelled claims have been amended to properly depend from claims remaining in the application.

10 Inasmuch as each of the objections have been overcome by the above amendments and remarks, and all of the Examiner's suggestions and requirements have been satisfied, it is respectfully requested that the present application be reconsidered, the rejections be withdrawn and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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